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Dear Sirs,

Thank you so very much for your thoughtful invitation to the 1978 Salute to Excellence retreat and for honoring me with the Golden Plate Award. I accept with pleasure.

Mrs. Turner and I will make every effort to attend for the full spectrum of events but most certainly for the Banquet of the Golden Plate. My staff will be in touch with you to firm up the details.

Again, many thanks for honoring me in this way, and I look forward with great anticipation to the event.

Yours sincerel

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Admiral Stansfield Turner, USN, Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D.C.

WAYNE R. REYNOLDS
Coordinator, Golden Plate Invitations

November 1, 1977

Dear Admiral Turner:

In tribute to your extraordinary accomplishment, we invite you as a guest of honor to the 1978 Salute to Excellence "retreat" at Owensboro, Kentucky, June 22–24. We shall especially appreciate your acceptance of the Golden Plate Award at the black-tie Banquet of the Golden Plate — the culminating event of the weekend — in the luxurious new Executive Inn Rivermont on the evening of Saturday, June 24.

Forty eminent "exemplars of excellence" from the nation's many fields of endeavor will meet one another in a truly unique "gathering of the greats"...and will share their wisdom and experience with 300 outstanding honor youths from across the USA.

The 1977 Banquet yearbook and other enclosures reflect the Academy's aims, history, and significance -- particularly the tremendous inspirational impact upon the young participants who exemplify America's Young Leaders of Tomorrow.

The 1978 weekend events -- getting underway with the Reception and Dinner on the evening of Thursday, June 22 -- include the symposium series (where each awardee may reminisce on highlights of his career) and the Friday evening outing on June 23.

It will be the pleasure of the Academy to host each guest of honor (and spouse) at the Executive Inn Rivermont, over-looking the Ohio River. The Academy will also provide shuttle-jets between nearby airports and the Owensboro private terminal.

We look forward to your participation in our 17th annual "retreat" -- perhaps for the full program, but at the convenience of your schedule as may be determined later. In the meantime, your response within ten days will be appreciated. Thank you.

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